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Offices of the Commanding General and Command Sergeant Major

On behalf of the entire U.S. Army Japan Family, congratulations on your assignment to the United States Army in Japan. We are truly looking forward to you joining our dedicated team of professional Soldiers, Civilians, and Japanese employees.

Living and working in Japan is an experience like no other and one that you will cherish for the rest of your life. This assignment will be very rewarding for those with the maturity, professionalism and work ethos required to maintain this strong Alliance. As partners in this country for over six decades, the U.S. Army in Japan enjoys boundless opportunities to work with, train and socialize with our gracious hosts. You will join that long line of leaders upon your arrival.

The US – Japan Alliance is the bedrock of regional stability and security in Asia, and you will be a part of that. Our success depends on a strong bi-lateral relationship with our host nation. Everyone assigned to U.S. Army Japan is expected to be a diplomat representing the very best that our country has to offer. Cultural understanding, treating people with "dignity and respect," and "doing the right thing" are fundamental to your success while stationed in Japan. You can view the bilateral activities we conduct with our hosts by visiting http://www.usarj.army.mil.

We are also supported by one of the best garrisons in the Army, clearly evidenced by the vast array of world class services, facilities and programs available to you and your family. We have no doubt you will be pleased with the quality of life that awaits you here in Japan.

Your new commander will appoint a sponsor who will begin the inbound sponsorship process with you and your family as applicable. Please do not hesitate to contact your sponsor at any time. Feel free to also contact the Military Personnel Divisions in either mainland Japan (at ZamaUsagiMpdSponsorship@zama.army.mil) or Okinawa as well as the Command G1 (at ZamaUsarjG1AO@zama.army.mil).

Again, welcome to Japan! Please take full advantage of all that is available to you during your tour of duty here. It will be one of--if not <u>the</u>-- most rewarding experience of your career both professionally and personally. Ichi Dan (One Team)!

William P. Franklin

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Major General, US Army

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Sincerely,